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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS well equipped hospitals, ably managed and staffed by competent physicians, are accessible to every citizen in the state of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS these institutions have provided a useful service of great public benefit, worthy of the support of the people; and

WHEREAS the people are not altogether familiar with the war which the medical and nursing professions are continually waging against sickness and injury;

Now, therefore, I, M. Q. SURPE, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby designate the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, May 12, as

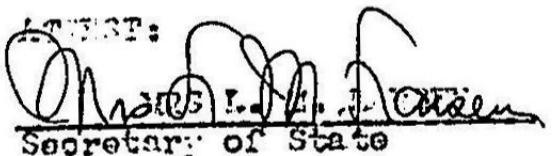
HOSPITAL DAY

to be observed by all the people of South Dakota; and urge that all citizens on that day be cordially invited to visit and inspect the hospital or hospitals of their community, in order that they may have a more sympathetic understanding of the great work of these institutions in alleviating human suffering.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, at Pierre, the Capital, this fifth day of May, 1944.

M. Q. SURPE

Governor

ATTEST:  
  
Andrew L. O'Keefe  
Secretary of State